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BIG PLUMBING JOB ENDED

Some staff members have been greeted each morning and evening for several months at the Main Building west entrance with the noise of jackhammers, compressors, water pumps, and dump trucks. This minor inconvenience of walking around barricades and blinking lights caused much speculation but was actually the fourth and final phase of the Architect of the Capitol's behind the scene, 10-year project to install a new plumbing system inside and outside of the Main Building.

During a 1962 survey made by the Architect of the Capitol of the Main Building plumbing system, it was determined that the 75-year-old iron pipes in the storm, sanitary, and water systems had deteriorated to a condition which made them unserviceable. Work began in 1964 with a $2.2 million appropriation from the U.S. Congress for the renovation of all plumbing in the building and grounds.

Phase One, Two, and Three included replacing the interior iron pipes with more durable copper tubing. As the beautiful murals and mosaics on the walls could not be removed to work on the system, the plumbing was partially installed in the abandoned heating ducts and flues. This work behind the scenes saved the art work but it lengthened considerably the distance of the detoured system. The early phases of the work also included the installation of new washroom fixtures and additional marble.

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LC STAFFERS PARTICIPATE IN CEREMONIES IN HOUSE

The Library of Congress was well represented at ceremonies in the U.S. House of Representatives on September 25 marking the commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the meeting and accomplishments of the First Continental Congress. Sharing the program with speakers Barbara Jordan, Member of Congress from Texas, and Alistair Cooke, writer and television personality, were Professors Cecelia M. Kenyon of Smith College and Merrill Jensen of the University of Wisconsin, both members of the Advisory Committee on the Library of Congress American Revolution Bicentennial Program. Jack P. Greene, Professor of History at Johns Hopkins University, another member of the Advisory Committee, wrote the essay on "The First Continental Congress" which was printed in the commemorative program.

Three LC staff members, George Harshaw, General Reference and Bibliography Division, Nancy Lewis, Exchange and Gift Division, and Harry Price, Descriptive Cataloging Division, sang with the Camerata Chorus, also on the program. The music and words of "Free America" and "The Liberty Song," were identified and found by William Parsons of the Library's Music Division. Congressional Research Service and American Revolution Bicentennial Office staff members also contributed background research to the commemoration. Mrs. Elizabeth H. Kegan, Assistant Librarian of Congress, was a guest at the event.

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CARD DIVISION CUT NECESSARY

Because of the continuing reduction of sales of catalog cards to the American library community and new procedures within the Processing Department, the Library has found it necessary to complete a limited cutback in the number of positions in the Card Division by June 30, 1975. This cutback, representing about 13 percent of the present staff, will require the elimination of 40 positions by June 30; of the 40 positions, 32 are now filled. During this same period the Division will also undergo a reorganization of its functions.

Although the Library does not know at this time what all of the individual personnel actions will be, it will do all that is possible to place the affected staff members in other positions. Earlier this year when a similar cutback took place, all 33 staff members were successfully placed in other positions in the Card Division or other Processing Department divisions.

Despite this cutback in staff, the Card Division will continue to fulfill its primary role of distributing bibliographic data (catalog cards, Library of Congress publications, and MARC tapes) to the American library community, which depends on this Division for the regular and timely receipt of that data.

PAY INCREASE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 14

President Gerald Ford has issued an Executive Order putting into effect a 5.52 percent increase in Federal statutory pay rates.

The new General Schedule pay rates will become effective in the Library of Congress on October 14, and will be included in the November 5 pay checks.

A salary table will be distributed to the LC staff.

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN REACHES 15 PERCENT OF LC GOAL

At the end of the first reporting period for the 1974 Combined Federal Campaign, the Library of Congress has contributed 15 percent of its designated goal of $83,844. This $15,225.25 was contributed by 299 staff members throughout the Library.

Leading the race to reach departmental goals was the Law Library, having contributed 75 percent of its assigned share in the first week of the Campaign. Progress reports from other departments are as follows: Administrative Department, 13 percent;

PAPER PLATES & PLASTIC UTENSILS REPLACED IN CAFETERIA

A new acquisition has been received in the Library. The Cafeteria has acquired a new dishwasher to replace the unit which was in service during the past 12 years. The new machine was placed in operation on Wednesday, October 2. During the few days of installation, disposable dishes and utensils were used by patrons.

Congressional Research Service, 3 percent; Copyright Office, 16 percent; Office of the Librarian, 22 percent; Processing Department, 20 percent; and Reference Department, 23 percent.

The Campaign will continue in the Library through October 28, the final reporting date for contributions. Staff members who wish to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign, which serves 121 local voluntary agencies, should contact their key workers.

CHORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS AMERICAN FOLK SONGS

The Library of Congress WRA Choral Society presented its fall concert of American folk songs on September 20. The group's new director, Dorothy Zeiset, [see LC *Information Bulletin* of August 9, p. 266], was formally welcomed by the Society's president, Leo Anderson, who also acknowledged the presence of the Society's former director, Albert Cherry.

The program opened with a lively rendition of "Skip to My Lou" with play party routines by Read Greyer, formerly with the Recorded Sound Section, and closed with a rousing spiritual, "Scandalize My Name." The featured soloist for the program was Sandra Johnson, Congressional Research Service, who sang "Dink's Song." Chester Hobson, Descriptive Cataloging Division, was the accompanist.

The Society is preparing for its annual Christmas concert, carol sing in the Great Hall, and caroling in the outlying annexes. Staff members who are interested in joining the Choral Society should contact Mr. Anderson, Descriptive Cataloging, on ext. 5231.

LC JOINTLY SPONSORS SEMINAR ON TYPOGRAPHY AND TYPEFACE DESIGN

The Library of Congress, in conjunction with the National Endowment for the Arts and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School, will present a seminar entitled "The Art of Typeface Design and Visual Communication" to be held in the National Portrait Gallery, October 15-16. This international symposium has been planned to provide examining attorneys of the Copyright Office with detailed knowledge in distinguishing design and characteristics of the different type faces used in the past, present, and future. The seminar was organized in anticipation of the possibility of type faces, prints, and fonts being placed under Copyright law.

The instructional staff includes members from both Europe and the United States, and, from all indications, is composed of a cross section of the world's most knowledgeable experts in the field. A partial listing of those conducting the seminar is: Hermann Zapf (Germany), master calligrapher and type designer of over 60 typefaces; Louis Silverstein (U.S.A.), corporate art director, New York Times; Adrian Frutiger (France), designer of Univers and Meridien type; John Dreyfus (England), international consultant and typographical advisor to Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, England; and Joseph Gastel (U.S.A.), practicing attorney, specializing in patents, trademarks, and copyrights. Because of the intensity of the course and the need for detailed and careful study, the number of participants has been limited to 75 persons. According to Paul Barlow, U.S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School, this is one of the most specialized programs the Graduate School has ever developed and organized.

JUILLIARD STRING QUARTET TO APPEAR OCTOBER 17 AND 18

On Thursday and Friday evenings, October 17 and 18, the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation in the Library of Congress will sponsor two concerts of chamber music featuring the Juilliard String Quartet. The members of this ensemble are Robert Mann and Earl Carlyss, violins; Samuel Rhodes, viola; and Joel Krosnick, violoncello. Their program will include Quartet in G major, Op. 18, No. 2 by Ludwig van Beethoven; Quartet No. 3 by Arnold Schoenberg; and Quartet in F major, K. 590 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Both concerts will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. Tickets for these concerts will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G Street, N. W. beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, October 14. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

The concert on Friday evening will be broadcast in its entirety by Station WETA-FM, and made available to stations in other cities through the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Mrs. Vander Veen, Congressman Richard F. Vander Veen, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Assistant Librarian

Giles Wilkinson, Eastman Kodak Co., Librarian of Congress, Mrs. Mumford, and Herbert Sanborn, LC Exhibits Officer

Harry Lowe, Assistant Director for Operations, National Collection of Fine Arts, and Hildegard Van Roijen

Elmer S. King, LC Photoduplication Service, and Neil Kaufman, Ilford, Inc.

Artist Peter Gee and his assistant, Linda Patterson

Alan Fern, Chief, LC Prints and Photographs Division, Charles Parkhurst, Asssistant Director, National Gallery of Art, and Roy Slade, Director, Corcoran Gallery of Art

A reception in the Great Hall of the Library of Congress Main Building on Tuesday, September 24, opening "Color in the Graphic Arts" attracted artists, bookmen, photographers, and printers. The exhibit was described in the LC Information Bulletin, *September 27, p. 315.*

A photographic view from the Capitol made about 1880 shows Pennsylvania Ave., S.E., and the buildings which stood before work began on the Main Building. The recent excavation of the Main Building west front drive unearthed the foundations of several buildings and the sewer system which was along Pennsylvania Ave.

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Phase Four included all the work recently completed outside which connects the copper pipe to the District of Columbia system. New cast iron pipe was installed to comply with the District's plan which states that by the year 2000 the storm and sanitary systems will be separated.

The work at the west front drive took longer than planned because of the type of ground fill used during the construction of the building in the 1890's. It was necessary to reenforce the sides of the digging so rain would not cause the surrounding dirt to slide into the hole. The digging went down beyond the original fill dirt and revealed the old foundations of homes which formerly stood across the street from the Capitol. Also revealed was part of the antique District of Columbia Pennsylvania Ave. water system.

POETS KUMIN AND DUGAN TO READ POETRY AT LC

Poets Maxine Kumin and Alan Dugan will read and discuss their poetry with Stanley Kunitz, the Library's Consultant in Poetry for 1974-75, on Monday, October 21. The reading, sponsored by the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Poetry and Literature Fund, will be held in the Coolidge Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. No tickets are required.

Maxine Kumin, born in Philadelphia, received A.B. and M.A. degrees from Radcliffe College. She has taught at Tufts University, at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and at Newton College. From 1961 to 1963, Mrs. Kumin was a scholar of the Radcliffe Institute for Independent Study, and she is a recipient of the Lowell Mason Palmer Award and of *Poetry* magazine's Eunice Tietjens Memorial Prize. Mrs. Kumin has written many books of poetry, novels, and books for children since her first work, *Sebastian and the Dragon*, was published in 1960. Among them are *Halfway* (poems), 1961; *Spring Things* (1961); *No One Writes a Letter to the Snail* (1962); *The Privilege* (poems), 1965; *The Passions of Uxport* (1968); *The Nightmare Factory* (poems), 1970; *Up Country: Poems of New England* (1972), for which she won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry in 1973; and *The Designated Heir* (1974). A new collection of her poems, *House, Bridge, Fountain, Gate,*

will be published by Viking in the spring. Mrs. Kumin and her daughter are currently collaborating in translations from the French.

Alan Dugan, born in Brooklyn, was a student at Olivet College in Michigan, and graduated from Mexico City College. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Air Force. Mr. Dugan has received many awards and prizes, including the National Book Award for poetry (1961), the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry (1962), the Levinson Poetry Prize (1967), and Guggenheim and Rockefeller Foundation fellowships. He is the author of *Poems* (1961), *Poems 2* (1963), *Poems 3* (1967), *Collected Poems* (1969), and *Poems 4* (1974).

STAFF NEWS

AWARD

Nancy S. Smith, Supervisory Budget Analyst, Budget Office, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin on September 20, by Donald C. Curran, Chief of the Financial Management Office.

Mrs. Smith was born in Providence, R.I., and later moved to Palmer, Mass., where she attended Palmer High School. She received her B.S. degree from Simmons College in Boston in June 1954.

All of Mrs. Smith's Federal service has been with the Library of Congress. She came to the Budget Office in September 1954 as Secretary to the Assistant Director of Administration. A number of promotions has led to her present position.

Mrs. Smith is married to Bernell M. Smith, a former employee of the Library. They reside in Oxon Hill, Md.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Silillian Anderson, deck attendant (trainee), GS-2, S&R, 1-600; Donald S. Arter, worker-trainee, GS-1, CS, NP; Eyler Robert Coates, supervisor, Music Service Unit, GS-11, DBPH, 6813; Anne P. Ewell, personnel staffing and classification specialist, GS-11, Place and Class, 6762; Percell Kelly, Jr., worker-trainee, GS-1, Cop Serv, NP; Margaret E. Melun, reference specialist, GS-11, CRS C, 7006; Rachel O. Montgomery, deck attendant (trainee), GS-3, Ser, 6868; Gerald E. Parsons, reference librarian, GS-9, Mus, 7013; Marybeth S. Flatt, reading room assistant for loose-leaf services, GS-4, LL AB, 7170; Dorothea A. Preis, reference files assistant, GS-3, CRS L, 7068; Elaine Richmond, microphotographer (trainee), GT-3, Photodup, 5-100; Sandra L. Smith, clerical assistant, GS-4, Subj Cat, 6851; Anne L. Stevens, microphotographer (trainee), GT-3, Photodup, 5-100; Eric Wall, reading room assistant for loose-leaf services, GS-4, LL AB, 7170; Kenneth E. Williams, mail clerk, GS-2, Cop Serv, NP.

Temporary Appointments: Gary J. Fitzgerald, clerk, GS-3, CRS C, 7128; Alan S. Johnson, technical information specialist, GS-7, LL AB, 7096; Paul C. Leach, library aid, GT-1, Photodup, NP; John McLaughlin, microphotographer (trainee), GT-3, Photodup, 5-100; Frank Shooster, clerk, GS-3, CRS C, NP; Deborah R. Steele, clerk-typist, GS-1, Cop Ref, NP; Harold R. Wiggins, supply clerk and messenger, GT-3, Photodup, 9-100.

Promotions: Jeffrey J. Antroinen, to library technician, GS-4, CRS C, 7109 & 7110; Judith B. Frazier, CRS L, to research analyst (trainee), GS-7, CRS C, 7110; Mary Ann Joyce, Share Cat, to assistant catalog editor, GT-9, NUCPP, 7045; Janet C. Perry, Cat Publ, to assistant catalog editor, GT-9, NUCPP, 7045; Roslyn D. Roberts, CRS D, to research analyst (trainee), GS-7, CRS F, 7109 & 7110; Clarence L. Smith, to motion picture assistant, GS-5, P&P, 7182; Teresa A. Stotzer, CRS D, to reference librarian, GS-9, CRS C, 7006.

Transfers: Sharon L. Abston, S&R, to library aid, GS-1, Ord, NP; Martin R. Lee, CRS L, to research analyst (trainee), GS-7, CRS E, 7109 & 7110; Ralph R. Orlik, NSDP, to programmer, GS-9, MARC Dev, 7091; Adrienne Smith, CRS F, to library technician, GS-5, CRS L, 7109; Louis A. Talley, CRS L, to research analyst (trainee), GS-7, CRS E, 7109 & 7110.

Resignations: Kathryn C. Burke, Publ; Diane Croom, Cop Serv; Sanford R. Datcher, Photodup; Gary Frost, Restor; Katherine A. Hurley, Inf; Frank T. Keliher, Cop Ref; Allen W. Mueller, GR&B; William C. Robinson, III, DBPH; Richard W. McCrellen, Jr., ISO; George D. Martin, Jr., Subj Cat; Kelly Marie Rogers, Cop Exam; Amy Schoch, CRS A; Beth H. Sears, Desc Cat; Clark M. Woodson, Bind.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Frank Kurt Cylke, Chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, addressed a meeting of the American Association of Workers for the Blind in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, on September 26. Mr. Cylke discussed the implications of technology on library service for the blind and physically handicapped.

Alan Fern, Chief of the Prints and Photographs Division, gave an illustrated talk on the Library of Congress print collections to the Pennsbury Manor Americana Forum, in Pennsylvania, on September 14.

Tao-tai Hsia, Chief, and **Kathryn Haun**, Legal Research Assistant, Far Eastern Law Division, are the co-authors of an article, "Laws of the People's Republic of China on Industrial and Intellectual

Property," appearing in the Summer-Autumn 1973 issue of *Law and Contemporary Problems* devoted to trade with China.

Hylda Kamisar, Head, and **Dorothy Pollet**, Assistant Head, Reference and Information Section, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, have co-authored an article entitled "Talking Books and the Local Library," which appeared in the September 15 issue of *Library Journal*. Utilizing the experiences of two subregional libraries for the blind and physically handicapped, located in Huntington, N.Y., and Virginia Beach, Va., the article demonstrates the ways in which local public libraries can serve handicapped persons in their communities.

Walter W. Ristow, Chief, Geography and Map Division, has been elected an honorary member of the Rand-McNally 25-Year Club. The honor is extended to "persons not employed by the company who have, over a period of not less than 25 years, contributed substantially to the growth and welfare of the company as customers, suppliers, authors, artists, or consultants."

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Library of Congress Catalog-Books: Subjects, A Cumulative List of Works Represented by Library of Congress Printed Cards. ISSN 0041-7785. January-March 1974. Part 1: A-E (ix, 818 p.) Part 2: F-Nom (807 p.) Part 3: Non-Z (856 p.) For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20540, for $630 a year for three quarterly issues plus an annual cumulation. Subscriptions received after the annual cumulation appears will receive only the cumulation.

Selected Information Resources. The National Referral Center, Science and Technology Division, has recently revised and updated six of its informal lists of "Selected Information Resources" originally compiled and issued in 1972 and 1973. These are Air Pollution (SL 72-9, 7 p.), Thermal Pollution (SL 72-12, 4 p.), Environmental Education (SL 72-20, 13 p.), Science Education (SL 73-2, 7 p.), Petroleum and Natural Gas (SL 73-5, 25 p.), and Transportation: Rails (SL 73-6, 10 p.). Copies of the revised lists may be obtained free from the National Referral Center, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

New Microfilm Publications: Nine of the lesser-known works of Frank Leslie, founder of illustrated journalism in America, are now available from the Photoduplication Service on 35mm positive microfilm. All sets are not complete. The prices listed include postage and handling; for shipment to other than North American countries, purchasers should add 50 cents for additional postage.

Leslie, who emigrated from England in 1848, first published *Frank Leslie's Lady's Gazette of Fashion and Fancy Needlework* in 1854. This and later publications became known for their numerous illustrations, and their success brought competition, notably *Harper's Weekly* which began in 1857. He also attracted such writers as Wilkie Collins and Walter Besant to write for his serials in the early 1880's.

Orders and inquiries concerning the titles should be addressed to the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Department C-229, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Frank Leslie's Boys' and Girls' Weekly. Vols. 1-36. October 13, 1866-February 9, 1884. 11 reels. $130.

Frank Leslie's Chimney Corner. Vols. 1-39. June 3, 1865-November 29, 1884. 13 reels. $138.

Frank Leslie's Fact & Fiction for the Chimney Corner. Vols. 1-2. December 6, 1884-June 6, 1885. 1 reel. $9.

Frank Leslie's Lady's Journal. Vols. 1-20. November 18, 1871-October 8, 1881. 8 reels. $82.

Frank Leslie's Lady's Magazine. Vols. 1-51. September 1857-December 1882. 14 reels. $154.

Frank Leslie's New Monthly. Vols. 1-6. August 1863-July 1866. 1 reel. $13.

Frank Leslie's New Monthly. 1881. 1 reel. $9.

Frank Leslie's Pleasant Hours. Vols. 1-60. August 1866-April 1896. 12 reels. $130.

Frank Leslie's Sunday Magazine. Vols. 1-25. January 1877-June 1889. 12 reels. $127.

Also available from the Library's Photoduplication Service is *African Mail*, an illustrated weekly journal founded in 1903 to meet the growing interest in West and Central African questions, on nine reels of 35 mm microfilm for $98 (for shipment to other than North American countries, purchasers should add 50 cents per reel for postage).

African Mail, published in Liverpool, England, from October 1903 to January 1917, was the official organ of the West African Sanitation of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (sic) and West Africa of the British Cotton Growing Association (sic) until 1907, and gives in-depth treatment to African economic and political matters.

Orders or inquiries should be directed to the

Photoduplication Service, Department C-228. Checks should be made payable to the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 211-5 (September 23) described the current responsibilities of the Office of the Chief Internal Auditor; No. 213-1 (September 24) redescribed the organization and functions of the Processing Department; No. 1710-5 (September 25) concerned routing instructions for Travel Authorization forms relating to the acquisition of Library materials; No. 213-2 (September 27) brought up-to-date the organization and functions of the Catalog Publication Division, Processing Department.

Special Announcements: No. 650 (September 23) gave the housecleaning schedule in the Library; No. 651 (September 25) provided a form for employees' use in participating in the Influenza Immunization Program; No. 652 (September 27) announced the 1974 Combined Federal Campaign.

Press Releases: No. 74-34 (September 26) Daniel Hoffman Named Honorary Consultant to Library of Congress; No. 74-35 (September 25) Library of Congress Consultant in Poetry to Open 1974-75 Literary Season; No. 74-36 (September 30) Library of Congress Announces Publication of a New Volume of Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise *History of the Supreme Court.*

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

INSTITUTE

The **National Association of Secondary School Principals** and the **American Association of School Librarians** are sponsoring a second institute featuring a teamwork approach to educational media. Topics and issues for discussion and exploration include planning and management of the library media program; media for community relations; communication-tool for teaching; student use—increased and improved; instructional design—teacher involvement in selection and use of media; censorship and media; media facilities; and effecting curricular change.

Registration fees of $40 for members of the two associations and $60 for non-members should be sent in immediately for the October 20-22 institute, which will be held at Osage House, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri. For further information or preregistration, write or call Steven Terracin, Assistant Director, National Institute for Secondary School Administrators, 1904 Association Dr., Reston, Va. 22091, telephone (703) 860-0200.

MEETINGS

The **District of Columbia Library Association** will meet on October 23 to debate on the subject: "Resolved, that there is or should be censorship of library materials for children and young people." This debate is scheduled for the Georgetown University Moot Court, 2nd and E Streets., N.W., Washington, D.C., at 8 p.m. Judy Krug, Director of the Office of Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association, will be the opponent and John Berry, Editor-in-Chief of the *Library Journal,* will be the proponent.

A meeting of the **National Historical Publications Commission** was held at the National Archives building on Friday, September 20, under the chairmanship of James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States, and Chairman of the Commission. Mrs. Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, who represents the Library of Congress on the Commission, attended.

It was announced that the full appropriation authorized for the Commission, $2 million, had been signed into law. Small subventions to several university presses that are publishing documentary series were approved at the meeting. Three letterpress publication proposals were discussed; one was approved but action on the other two was deferred without prejudice until further information can be obtained. Several microfilm projects were voted grants, and it was decided that the fellowship program should be continued for another year. Another topic considered, which is to be the subject of a NHPC staff study, was the thematic or topical approach in documentary publication projects.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The **Reference and Adult Services Division** of the American Library Association is inviting nominations for the 1975 Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation in honor of excellence in reference services; the award is presented in honor of Miss Mudge, who died May 16, 1957, in recognition of her contribution to the development of reference services. Nominees' contributions may take any of several different forms—an imaginative library program, a significant book or article, creative or inspirational teaching, active participation in professional associations, or in other noteworthy activities that stimulate reference librarians to more distinguished service. Nominations should be directed to Charles A. Bunge, Mudge Citation Committee Chairman, Library School, University of Wisconsin, Helen White Hall, Madison, Wis. 53706; the deadline is March 15, 1975.

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